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SUBJECT: W/W REVIEW CASES OF ALL AMCIT PRISONERS

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- 1. DENIAL OF CONSULAR ACCESS PER POST FILES, SOSA WAS ARRESTED ON JUNE 8, 1974 AND POST DID NOT RECEIVE NOTIFICATION OF ARREST UNTIL JUNE 17, 1974. SOSA WAS FIRST VISITED BY CONOFF ON AUGUST 14, 1975. POST LOOKS TO EMBASSY TO REACH SATISFACTORY AGREEMENT WITH MEXICAN GOVERNMENT REGARDING PROMPT NOTIFICATION OF THE ARREST OF AMCIT.
- 2. CONOFF VISITATION PER POST FILES, SOSA WAS ORIGINALLY ASSIGNED TO CIUDAD OBREGON AND WAS NEVER VISITED BY CONOFF DURING HIS TIME THERE. PRIOR TO MAY 1975, CONOFF VISITATIONS TO CIUDAD OBREGON WERE RARE BECAUSE PRISONERS WERE USUALLY TRANSFERRED TO HERMOSILLO SOON AFTER ARREST. SOSA WAS TRANSFERRED TO HERMOSILLO ON AUGUST 26, 1974. HE DID NOT APPEAR AT MONTHLY CONOFF VISITS UNTIL AUGUST 14, 1975 WHEN HE ASKED CONOFF TO LOCATE HIS STEPFATHER. CONOFF TRIED TO LOCATE HIM AND WAS UNABLE TO DO SO. SOSA WAS ALSO VISITED ON SEPTEMBER 19, 1975 AND DECEMBER 15.
- 3. PROLONGED TRIAL DETENTION PER POST FILES, SOSA WAS NOT SENTENCED UNTIL OCTOBER 1975, SIXTEEN MONTHS AFTER TIME OF ARREST. SOSA DID NOT COMPLAIN OF PROLONGED DETENTION TO CONOFF VISITS OF AUGUST 14, 1975 OR SEPTEMBER 17. SINCE UNCLASSIFIED

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SOSA HAS NOW BEEN SENTENCED, NO POST ACTION APPEARS

POSSIBLE.

4. BOND, BAIL, OR "FIANZA" - PER POST FILES, SOSA WAS SENTENCED TO THREE YEARS, EIGHT MONTHS IN PRISON IN OCTOBER 1975 AND APPEARS ELIGIBLE FOR "FIANZA" SENTENCE HAS BEEN APPEALED BY DA AND NO FIANZA CAN BE SET UNTIL APPEAL IS DECIDED. CONOFF TOLD SOS ON DECEMBER 15, 1975 HE WOULD LOOK INTO STATUS OF HIS APPEAL. SACKSTEDER

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